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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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## AMENDMENT

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed October 03, 2002.

Please amend the Application as follows:

In The Claims:

Please replace claim 1 with the following amended claim.

1. (Amended) A tool for cutting tissue comprising:
- a body, the body having a drive rod constructed and arranged for longitudinal movement therethrough;
- a handle lever being operatively engaged to the drive rod, such that when the handle lever is moved between a first position and a second position the drive rod is moved between an advanced position and a retracted position, the drive rod extending from a proximal end of the body to a distal end; and
- a cutter beam, cutter beam being pivotally engaged to the distal end of the body, the cutter beam being pivotally moveable between a non-actuated position and an actuated position, a lower pivot member pivotally connects the distal end of the body and the cutter beam,